

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

ASHIKARI, et al.

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Title: METHOD OF BREEDING YEAST

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO BE ENTERED PRIOR  
TO CALCULATION OF FILING FEE**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment of the subject  
application prior to calculation of the filing fee of this application.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 6 as follows (see the attached Appendix for the  
changes made to effect the below claim):

*Q1*  
Claim 6. (Amended) A yeast of the genus *Saccharomyces* transformed  
by the method of claim 3.

**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment revises the multiple dependent claim 6 to be  
a single dependent claim in order to reduce the filing fee.

No new matter has been added.